



Milwaukee County

Supervisor Eyon Biddle, Sr., 10th District

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BIDDLE SETS INITIAL GOALS, PRIORITIES FOR TERM ON COUNTY BOARD

Mass transit, economic development, parks and opposing Voter ID proposal

Milwaukee, WI – Newly-elected Milwaukee County Supervisor Eyon Biddle, Sr., is ready to get to work on important issues facing the 10th Supervisory District. Supervisor Biddle was elected on April 5 and sworn in on April 21. His first round of objectives include connecting workers with jobs, improving safety in the parks, and opposing State efforts to require a photo ID at the voting booth.

- **Mass Transit:** “The quality of our mass transit system affects people every day. When I travel around my district, I see many people at bus stops and riding the bus. Many of them are going to work, to school, to shop, or to see the doctor. These busses are running full. It’s clear to me that mass transit is not a social service. Instead, it’s a way to connect businesses with both workers and customers,” Supervisor Biddle said. “Residents in my district are asking for dedicated transit funding and property tax relief, and I will continue efforts to secure this funding source, whether it is a sales tax or another option.”
- **Economic Development:** “We need to create jobs and spur economic development,” Supervisor Biddle added. “Milwaukee County owns a number of vacant parcels in the former Park East corridor. I am exploring several ideas and options to generate true job growth on these sites.”
- **Parks:** “Unfortunately, Johnsons Park and Tiefenthaler Park have suffered from neglect and criminal activity in recent years. I plan to create safe summer initiatives at these parks and work with the Sheriff to make these parks safer – and more useful – for residents in these neighborhoods.”
- **Photo ID:** “My constituents are against the Voter ID bill under consideration in the Legislature. We must not allow this potential injustice to proceed. The State should not try to correct a problem that doesn’t exist. Instead, my district wants the Legislature to focus on promoting transit opportunities and creating jobs,” Supervisor Biddle explained. “Voting is a constitutionally-guaranteed right. Requiring a photo ID would restrict this right and disenfranchise thousands of people, including persons with disabilities, the elderly and college students. Not everybody drives, and they may not have access to a photo ID. Making people jump through hurdles does not protect the constitutional right to vote. Driving is a privilege. Voting is a right. Wisconsin has a rich history of participation in elections. We should preserve this great voting tradition, not discourage it.”

“I am looking forward to working with my colleagues on the County Board and the County Executive in these areas,” he added. “Hopefully, we can enact true change for the residents of the 10th District and all across Milwaukee County.”

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